



Docket No.: 065933-0044

PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of	:	Customer Number: 20277
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Naoteru MATUSBARA, et al.	:	Confirmation Number: 4231
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Application No.: 10/664,875	:	Group Art Unit: 2811
	:	Allowed: November 29, 2007
Filed: September 22, 2003	:	Examiner: IM, JUNGHWA M
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For: SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE INCLUDING INTERCONNECTS FORMED BY DAMASCENE PROCESS AND MANUFACTURING METHOD THEREOF		

REQUEST FOR COMPLETE ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF THE CITED ART

Mail Stop ISSUE FEE
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

We are in receipt of the Notice of Allowance dated November 29, 2007.

In reviewing the file, it is noted that we have not received **complete** acknowledgement of the Information Disclosure Statement and cited art filed April 24, 2006. Specifically, the **Chinese Office Action, Date of Dispatch: February 24, 2006** listed under **"Other Art"** is not initialed by the Examiner. Enclosed are copies of the Information Disclosure Statement, PTO-1449 and stamped return postcard acknowledgement. Also enclosed please find a copy of the partially initialed PTO-1449 received with the Office Action dated June 29, 2006.

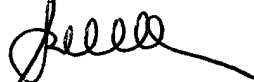
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Applicant hereby respectfully requests that:

- (1) the **completely** acknowledged PTO-1449 be furnished to Applicant; and
- (2) the record be clarified to confirm that the cited art has been considered and made of record.

Respectfully submitted,

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Title: SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE INCLUDING INTERCONNECTS FORMED BY DAMASCENE PROCESS AND MANUFACTURING METHOD THEREOF Patent No. _____

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☐ Small Entity ☐ Large Entity

☐ Declaration/Power of Attorney

☐ Recordation of Assignment/Security Agreement

☒ Information Disclosure Statement

1 Form PTO 1449

— References attached

☐ Preliminary Amendment

☐ Response to Missing Parts Notice

☐ Resp. to Notice to Correct App. Papers

☐ Certified Copy of Priority Doc.

☐ Claim for Convention Priority

☐ Response/Amendment to Office Action of _____

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☐ Letter submitting _____ pages of drawings

☐ Req. for Approval of Drawing Amendments

☐ Req. for Oral Hearing

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☐ Rule 312 Amendment/Letter

☐ Req. for Acknowledgement of Cited Art

☐ Issue Fee

☐ Publication Fee

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THE PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE DATE STAMPED HEREON IS ACKNOWLEDGEMENT THAT THE ITEMS, CHECKED ABOVE, WERE RECEIVED BY THE PTO ON THE DATE STAMPED.



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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Dear Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, the attention of the Patent and Trademark Office is hereby directed to the documents listed on the attached form PTO-1449. It is respectfully requested that the documents be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and that the documents be made of record therein and appear among the "References Cited" on any patent to issue therefrom.

This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed more than three months after the U.S. filing date AND after the mailing date of the first Office Action on the merits, but before the mailing date of a Final Rejection or Notice of Allowance.

CERTIFICATION PARAGRAPH

The undersigned certifies that each item of information contained in this Information Disclosure Statement was first cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a

counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement as described in 37 CFR 1.97(e)(1).

Each non-English language reference was cited in a corresponding foreign application search report or office action and its relevance discussed therein. A copy of the foreign search report or office action, together with an English language version thereof, is attached for the Examiner's information.

Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account 500417 and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

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